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Filed: December 8, 2000

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PEPTIDES FOR USE IN  
IMMUNOASSAYS

Customer No.: 20350

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Examiner: Emily M. Le

Art Unit: 1648

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION  
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98**

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Sir:

The reference cited on attached form PTO/SB/08B is being called to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of the reference is enclosed.

The reference was previously submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 29, 2001, but not considered on the merits. An English translation of the reference is not available, however, the highlighted portions on page 86 (Diagram 5), page 88

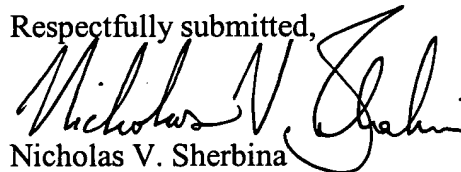
(Diagram 7), and page 95 (English Summary) are either in English or show peptide synthetic schematics that use internationally recognized symbols and abbreviations.

It is therefore respectfully requested that the cited reference, particularly the above-specified sections, be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the reference be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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Examiner Initials *	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T <sup>2</sup>
	AA	ST. GUTTMANN, "Synthèse du glutathion et de l'oxytocine à l'aide d'un nouveau groupe protecteur de la fonction thiol," <i>Helv. Chim. Acta</i> , 49:83-96 at pp. 86 (Diagram 5), 88 (Diagram 7) and 95 (English Summary) (1966).	

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